UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION,)	
Plaintiff,	ý	CIVIL ACTION NO. 05-697
v.)	(SLR)
BE&K ENGINEERING COMPANY, (Subsidiary of BE&K, Inc.))	
Defendant.)	

AFFADVIT OF JUAN OBED PEREZ

- I, Juan Obed Perez, do hereby depose and state as follows:
- 1. I am presently employed at Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. ("Jacobs") as a Lead Process Engineer in Mount Laurel, New Jersey. I started working for Jacobs in August 2006.
- Previous to working for Jacobs, I worked for Allied Resources Technical Consultants ("Allied") as a Contract Employee from August 2004 to August 2006. Allied had assigned me to work as a Senior Process Engineer at the Delaware City Refinery in Delaware. This Delaware City Refinery used to be owned by Motiva. It was then purchased by Premcor and is now owned by Valero. Many industry people still refer to it as the Delaware City Refinery. I worked at this Delaware City Refinery (Valero) during my entire tenure with Allied.
- 3. Prior to being employed by Allied, I was employed by BE&K Engineering Company in Newark, Delaware ("BE&K") as a Senior Process Engineer from approximately February 2000 to November 2003. This was the second time I began working for BE&K. On or about November 21, 2003, my supervisor Pete Howe told me that I was laid off because of lack of work.
- 4. While working for BE&K, I worked on a number of projects. One of the projects I worked on was the Motiva CCR Vent Scrubber project in 2002. The work was done at the Motiva Delaware City Refinery in Delaware. This is the same refinery where I performed work

work for Valero as an Allied Contract Employee from approximately August 2004 to August 2006. I was the Lead Process Engineer for BE&K on the 2002 CCR Vent Scrubber.

- This was BE&K's first contract with Motiva. I helped BE&K secure this contract as a 5. result of the contacts I made at Motiva when I had previously worked there earlier in my career.
- I went over the budget hours for the 2002 Motiva project because I was not consulted on 6. the number of hours needed to complete the work, which is typically done at BE&K. Further, BE&K under budgeted the hours for that project because this was their first contract with Motiva. BE&K wanted to ensure that they got repeat business from the client.
- No one from Motiva ever told me that they were dissatisfied with my performance on the Motiva 2002 project. Again, I started working at the Delaware City Refinery (Valero) as a Contract Employee in August 2004. This is the same Motiva Refinery that I have mentioned throughout my affidavit. Many of the Motiva people that I worked with in 2002 as an employee for BE&K still worked for that Refinery during my tenure as a Contract Employee for Allied. In fact, these same people gave Jacobs Engineering a positive reference about me which ultimately led to my successful hire with Jacobs.
- 8. As a BE&K employee, I also worked on a project for Tosco in 2003. I performed the work at the Tosco (Conoco Phillips) Refinery in Linden, New Jersey. Conoco Phillips is now the owner of that Refinery. Many industry officials still refer to the Conoco Phillips Refinery as Tosco. Once the project was over, I returned to BE&K's office in Newark, Delaware for my next assignment in August 2003.
- At no point upon my return to the office after the Tosco project ended to the time that I was terminated on November 21, 2003, did anyone from either BE&K, including Deke Lincoln and Howe, or Tosco, including Kevin Morris or Mike Berylant, told me that they were dissatisfied with my performance on that project.

10. Tosco also gave my present employer Jacobs a positive reference about my work. In fact, I am presently assigned to a job at the Tosco (Conoco Phillips) refinery in Linden, New Jersey as a Process Lead Engineer.

After I returned to the BE&K Newark, Delaware office once the Tosco project ended in August 2003, BE&K Process Department Manager Pete Howe told me that I would be working on the Motiva Flare Network Modeling project. The purpose of this project was to ensure that flare system at the Motiva Delaware City refinery in Delaware City, Delaware was capable of handling the current and future pressure relief loads in the refinery. I was qualified to do that work and had done it previously in my career. Howe actually handed me a large binder of materials to help assist me with the project. However, I never heard from Howe again about the project and did no work for it.

12. As a result of my education, experience and skill, I could do any of the tasks performed by the other BE&K Process Engineers in the Process Department. This includes relief device and process hazard review work, all of which I had done before while employed by BE&K.

13. I recall also working on a Dupont Relief Device project in 2002 for less than a year. The Dupont client liason was Dan Dayton. I do not recall anyone ever telling me that Dayton wanted me removed from that project for alleged poor performance.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date: 9/25/200 6

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Subscribed and sworn before me this 25 day of September 2006

My Commission expires:

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